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Good evening,

The crowd around Parliament Hill is significantly reduced (250-300 people), and there remain several smaller groups in the area around Wellington Street, Rideau Street and Confederation Park (approx. 2,000 in total). There is more of a jovial "party" like atmosphere in most groups, best described as comparable to a Canada Day crowd (complete with fire works). There have been isolated incidents of disorderly behaviour that Police have mitigated in a timely manner. Traffic impacts and gridlock remain high in the downtown core, with the EOC still supporting Police with various Roads-related requests. The interprovincial bridges have re-opened, with the exception of the Alexandra Bridge which remains closed due to concerns over weight restrictions.

From [redacted] gathered through various streams, including from our Provincial Emergency Operations Centre representative in the EOC, we believe all convoy vehicles expected to arrive in Ottawa today are here. The number of people expected to participate in tomorrow's protests is difficult to quantify, especially with the possibility of local supporters joining.

The main event on Parliament Hill will now occur tomorrow. All resources are forward planning for large crowds throughout the day, with the potential for some individuals to try to incite the crowds. The only formally announced plan is for speeches starting at 11:00 hrs; we can anticipate many more events to develop throughout the day. The traffic gridlock in the downtown core is likely to remain, if not become more congested tomorrow.

There still remains little to no [redacted] about the demobilization plans for this demonstration. The EOC continues to forward plan for extended operations, with the distinct possibility that the event continues into the week. From the current planning perspective, even if the crowd does start to disperse after the speeches tomorrow, it will take a significant amount of time to decant the vehicles from their current gridlock. The EOC will provide updates

throughout the day tomorrow, but would caution the service areas to prepare for service impacts on Monday, at a minimum. The impacts include, but are not limited to, staffing issues due to travel constraints, access issues in the downtown core, continued OC Transpo bus detours, as well as significant traffic impacts along the same routes we saw today, including highway 417.

We will endeavour to update you as information becomes available, especially where it pertains to extending service impacts into Monday or beyond.

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